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SUBJECT: FURTHER INFORMATION ON DISK STRIKE IN ADANA

REF: A. ADANA 240; B. ADANA 242

1. SEPTEMBER 25 A CONSULAR OFFICER SPOKE WITH AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE FATHER IS A SHOP STEWART IN THE DISK-AFFILIATED UNION GENEL IS, WHO WAS ARRESTED ALONG WITH "100 OTHER MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES". COMMENT: OFFICIAL ARREST FIGURES REPORTED WERE 46.
2. OUR SOURCE STATED THAT A TELEGRAM FROM DISK HEADQUARTERS IN ANKARA ON SEPTEMBER 16 HAD ORDERED GENEL IS AND OTHER DISK UNIONS TO STRIKE. HE SAID THE RPP HAD ENDORSED THE STRIKE AND SAID HE HAD SEEN FORMER DEPUTY AND RECENTLY-ELECTED RPP PRESIDENT OF ADANA

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PROVINCE KEMAL MALIK KUCUKTEPEPINAR ADDRESSING SOME OF THE STRIKE OFFICIALS AND PROMISING THEM FULL SUPPORT FROM THE RPP. (NOTE: ADANA'S RPP MAYOR EGE BAGATUR IS ALSO REPORTED TO HAVE VISITED JAILED STRIKERS AND TO HAVE PROMISED THEM NO LOSS OF JOBS OR PAY).

3. FOLLOWING THE ARRESTS, A LAWYER FROM DISK REPORTEDLY VISITED THE STRIKERS, AND URGED THEM TO ADHERE TO THE DISK "LINE" ON THE
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STRIKE, I.E. THAT IT WAS A "SPONTANEOUS ACT AT THE LOCAL LEVEL."

THE STRIKERS REFUSED TO COOPERATE AND WHEN CALLED BEFORE LOCAL
AUTHORITIES TOLD HOW THE STRIKE HAD BEEN ORDERED FROM ANKARA.
AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THIS ADMISSION, "ALL" THE STRIKERS WERE
REPORTEDLY RELEASED AND "CHARGES DROPPED".

4. COMMENT: WHILE THE FOREGOING INFORMATION MAY NOT BE COMPLETELY
ACCURATE, IT SUGGESTS THAT SPECIFIC FRICTION MAY HAVE DEVELOPED
BETWEEN DISK HEADQUARTERS AND ITS LOCAL MEMBERSHIP. WHICH AUTHORITIES
HAVE SUCCESSFULLY EXPLOITED.

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